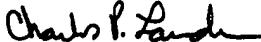




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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 19, 2003**

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Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendment and remarks be considered in the captioned patent application.

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 19, 2003 for which the three-month date for response is August 19, 2003. This response is being filed within three months of the mailing of the Office Action, *i.e.*, on or before August 19, 2003.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.